

# BONZAI™ USB Mini-Drive User Guide

Congratulations on purchasing the SimpleTech Bonzai<sup>TM</sup> USB Mini-Drive, the finest USB Mini-Drive available. This user guide explains how to install and use the following USB Bonzai Mini-Drives. The Bonzai Mini-Drive works with any computer having a USB port and Microsoft Windows XP, Me, 98/98SE, 2000, or Apple 8.6 or higher, or X operating systems. The USB Bonzai Mini-Drive works as a Plug-n-Play drive. Bonzai Mini-Drive is designed to allow the users to upgrade by using the highest available capacity Secure Digital Cards or MultiMediaCards in the market.

<b>Description of the Product</b>	SimpleTech Part Number	Part Number Marked on the on the back of the device
Bonzai USB Mini-Drive 64MB	STI-USBMD/64	90000-40425-000
Bonzai USB Mini-Drive 128MB	STI-USBMD/128	90000-40425-000
Bonzai USB Mini-Drive 256MB	STI-USBMD/256	90000-40425-000
Bonzai USB Mini-Drive 512MB	STI-USBMD/512	90000-40425-000

## 1. Package Contents

Your Bonzai USB Mini-Drive package contains the Bonzai Mini-Drive, one internal Memory Card, a USB extension cable, a neck strap, and this user guide.

### 2. System Requirements

To install the USB Bonzai Mini-Drive, you need the following:

- One available USB Port
- Windows XP, Windows Me, Windows 2000 or Windows 98/98SE
- Apple Macintosh 8.6 or higher, or X

#### 3. Installation Procedure

The Bonzai Mini-Drive is Mass-Storage Compliant Device (MSD) and can be used with Windows XP, Windows 2000, Windows Me, Apple 8.6+, or Apple X Operating Systems right out of the package, without installing a driver. Users with these operating systems can skip the driver-installation procedures in Sections 4 and go directly to Section 5. Users with Windows 98/98SE must install the appropriate driver before using the Bonzai USB Mini-Drive as indicated below in section 4.

- Download and Install the Drivers (For Windows 98/98SE only)—See Section 4
- Attach the Bonzai Mini-Drive to the Computer See Section 5

#### 4. To install the Bonzai Mini-Drive driver on a PC running Microsoft Windows 98/98SE only

- A. <u>Do not</u> connect the Bonzai Mini-Drive to the USB port of your computer until you complete this driver-installation procedure.
- B. Download the driver for Windows 98/98SE from our web site at <a href="http://www.simpletech.com/support">http://www.simpletech.com/support</a> and save in your local computer.
- C. Close all applications.
- D. Locate the previously downloaded and saved file (**Bonzai.exe**) in step B and double-click on the file **Bonzai.exe**. The software driver files will be automatically unzipped and extracted to the default directory **C:\Bonzai**.
- E. Go to C:\text{Bonzai} directory and double click on autorun.exe file. Follow the on-screen instructions.



- F. When the installation is completed, restart your computer.
- G. Connect the Bonzai Mini-Drive to the USB port of your computer (see Section 5).

## 5. Attaching the Bonzai Mini-Drive to the USB port of the Computer

- A. Remove the protective cover on the USB port of the device.
- B. Bonzai Mini-Drives can be connected to the USB port of your computer, either by directly plugging the Bonzai Mini-Drive to the USB port on your computer or by using the included USB extension cable. To connect using the USB extension cable, connect the larger connector on the extension cable to the Bonzai Mini-Drive. Connect the other end of the extension cable to the USB port on your computer.

Note: If the Bonzai Mini-Drive or the USB cable does not seem to fit properly in the USB port on your computer, turn the Drive/Cable over and reconnect to the USB port. Make sure that it is properly seated. If you are unable to directly connect the Bonzai Drive to the USB port of your device, connect the Bonzai drive to the USB cable and connect the other end of the USB cable to the USB port of your computer.





Attaching Bonzai Directly to the Computer

Attaching USB Cable from Bonzai to the Computer

#### 6. Recognizing the Drive, Reading and Writing data to the Bonzai Mini-Drive

Bonzai Mini-Drive is a plug-n-play device which means that you can safely insert and remove the device from the USB port without restarting your computer. Also, please note that LED light flickers when the card is being used.

Double click the My Computer icon, the Bonzai Mini-Drive appears as a removable hard drive. In Apple OS, insert the Bonzai Mini-Drive into a USB slot. The Bonzai Mini-Drive shows up as anicon on the desktop. You can transfer files to and from the Bonzai Mini-Drive as you would with any ordinary disk drive. Make sure not to remove the Mini-Drive, when the data is being read or written to the card.

Note: If the Drive is not recognized, make sure that the Bonzai Drive is firmly seated in the USB port and the flash card inside the Bonzai Drive is firmly seated.

### 7. Copying Files

Insert the Bonzai Mini-Drive into your USB slot, the Mini-Drive appears as a removable hard drive on your computer screen. You can transfer files to and from the Mini-Drive as you would with an ordinary disk drive.

#### Windows Users

- A. Start Windows.
- B. Double-click the **My Computer** icon on your Windows desktop.



C Double-click the Bonzai Removable Drive icon. The drive letter assigned to the Bonzai Card Mini-Drive depends on the configuration of your computer.



D. Drag and drop files from the Bonzai Mini-Drive to your PC's hard drive, floppy drive, or other removable media.

**Macintosh Users:** When you insert the Bonzai Mini-Drive, the Mini-Drive shows up as an **icon** on the desktop. You can transfer files to and from the Mini-Drive as you would with an ordinary disk drive.

## 8. Removing the Bonzai Mini-Drive from the USB port:



Make sure not to remove the drive, when the data is being read or written in the drive. Removing the drive while data is being transferred can delete all data on the drive and/or freeze your computer.

In Windows it is recommended that you "stop" the drive before removing from the USB port. In Mac OS, drag the Bonzai Drive icon on the Desktop to the **trash** bin and gently remove the drive from the USB port.

### 9. Removing the Flash Card from the Bonzai Drive and Upgrading to a Higher Capacity

Pease note that Bonzai Mini-Drive is designed to allow the users to upgrade by using the highest available capacity Secure Digital or MultiMedia Cards in the market.

- A. Unplug Bonzai from the computer.
- B. Carefully remove the back panel by sliding it away from the unit.
- C. Carefully remove the flash memory cardby sliding it out from the slot.

- D. With the gold contacts of the Secure Digital Card/MultiMediaCard facing down, slide the memory card back in. Please note that you can use any Secure Digital Card or MultiMediaCard available in the market. Make sure the card is firmly seated.
- E. Replace the cover by carefully sliding the cover in the groove until it's locked in place.





Remove the cover out by sliding out



Remove the card by sliding out

## 11. Formatting the Memory Cards

Bonzai Mini-Drives with Flash memory cards are factory formatted. To format the card inside the Bonzai Drive in your digital camera or other mobile devices, refer to the documentation that came with your application and/or device. Please note that some digital cameras and other mobile devices require that the cards be formatted in the device. However, if you need to format the card in the Bonzai Mini-Drive connected to a computer, use the following procedure. Please note that formatting the Min-Drive will delete all the data in the Mini-Drive.

#### Formatting the Card in Windows

Connect the Mini-Drive to the USB port of your computer. Double click My Computer icon on your Windows desktop.



Right-click the Bonzai Mini-Drive icon, which shows up as a removable drive.



C. Click **Format**. The Format dialog box appears.



- D. Under Format type, click Quick (erase)
- Click the **Start** button. Windows formats the memory card. After the card is formatted, it is ready for use.

#### Formatting the Card in Apple Macintosh Systems

# Formatting the Card in Apple 8.6 or higher

- Insert the card in Bonzai Mini-Drive and click on the Bonzai icon on the desktop.
- On the Special menu, click Erase Disk.



The following screen appears:



- C. If desired, change the name of the Bonzai Mini-Drive.
- D. Click **Erase** and complete the formatting. After the card is formatted, it is ready for use.

### Formatting the Card in Apple OS X

- A. Double-click the hard drive icon.
- B. Double-click the **Applications** folder.
- C. Double-click the **Utilities** folder.
- D. Double-click **Disk Utilities**. A screen similar to the following appears.



- E. In the left pane, click the **removable drive**.
- F. Locate the **lock** icon at the lower-left side of the screen.

If the icon reads "Click the lock to prevent further changes", skip to the next step.

If the icon reads "Click the lock to make changes," click the lock icon and enter the appropriate administrator name and password.



- G Click a volume format from the **Volume Format** drop-down list.
- H. In Name, enter an optional volume name, if desired.
- I. Click **Erase** and complete the formatting. After the card is formatted, it is ready for use.

## 11. Using the Write Protect Feature of Bonzai Mini-Drive

- A. Please note that Bonzai Drives have either a Secure Digital or MultiMediaCard inside the Bonzai Mini-Drive. If your Bonzai Drive has a Secure Digital Card inside, you can make use of the **Write Protect Switch** to prevent accidental erasure of the data as follows.
- B. Remove the card as indicated in step number 9.
- C. Slide the Write Protect Switch to "lock" position and re-insert the card into the drive. Make sure the card is firmly seated and close the cover as indicated in Step 9.

Note: When the Write Protect Switch is in "lock" position, you cannot format or write the data into the card.

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- 1. Can I use other flash cards in the Bonzai Mini-Drive?
  - Yes, The Bonzai Mini-Drive is designed to allow the user to upgrade to the highest available capacity Secure Digital or MultiMediaCards cards in the market.
- 2. Where can I obtain the Windows 98/98SE drivers for the Bonzai Card Mini-Drives?
  - Drivers for Windows 98/98SE are available at the following Web site: <a href="http://www.simpletech.com/support">http://www.simpletech.com/support</a>. You DO NOT need any drivers for Windows XP, 2000, Me or Apple 8.6+, Apple X operating systems.
- 3. Where can I obtain Windows 95 drivers for the Bonzai Card Mini-Drive?
  - Bonzai Mini-Drive is not compliant with Windows 95.
- 4. Why don't I see any icon on my Windows desktop after I installed the Bonzai driver?
  - Make sure that the Bonzai Drive is firmly seated in the USB port and the flash card inside the Bonzai-Drive is firmly seated. Double-click the **My Computer** icon or use the **Windows Explorer** to verify that there is a **drive letter for the removable Drive.**

- 5. The drive letter assigned to my network drive is being shared by the Bonzai Mini-Drive. How do I assign a separate drive letter to the Bonzai Mini-Drive?
  - Right-click the **My Computer** icon, then click the **Device Manager** tab. Double -click the **Disk Drives** entry. Click the **OEI-link** entry, click the **Properties** button, and click the **Settings** tab. Then assign the next logical drive letter available to the current drive assignment letter. For example, if drive letters A, B, C, and D are in use, assign drive letter **E**. Click **OK** until you return to your Windows desktop.
- 6. Is Bonzai Mini-Drive compatible with Apple X operating system?

  The Bonzai Mini-Drive is Mass-Storage Compliant and can be used with Windows XP, 2000, and ME and Apple 8.6+, and Apple X operating systems right out of the package, without installing a driver.
- 7. How do I learn more about Secure Digital Cards/MultiMediaCards?

  To learn more about Secure Digital Cards or MultiMedia Cards, visit our web site: http://www.simpletech.com/shop

#### TECHNICAL SUPPORT

SimpleTech values your business and seeks to provide you with uncompromising service. If you need technical support, please visit SimpleTech website at: http://www.simpletech.comor you can call (949) 476-1180or 1-800-367-7330 in USA/Canada or in Europe call: (44) 1355-57-2850

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